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Sir:

We refer to the information Disclosure Statement, SB08 Form and references filed on June 17, 2004.

In the aforementioned Information Disclosure Statement, the undersigned certified that "no item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement."

It has come to the attention of the undersigned that a secretary compiling the references based on the monitoring of 100 separate patent applications of assignee and following a reasonable good faith procedure of filing an Information Disclosure Statement in each application every 3 months with a compilation of references cited by the examiner in these applications over the previous 3 months, erroneously included several references that had been cited more than 3 months prior to filing the Information Disclosure Statement. The following references:

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2002/0123945	Booth et al.	0905-2002
2002/0143669	Jenkins et al.	12-12-2002

do not meet the above-mentioned criteria and the Commissioner is kindly requested to strike the afore-mentioned references from the list of references cited on the SB08 Form filed June 17, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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